

JOHN S. SHRIVER DIES AT HIS BALTIMORE HOME

For More Than Twenty-Five Years a
Newspaper Correspondent in
Washington.



JOHN S. SHRIVER.

John S. Shriver, for more than twenty-five years one of the best known Washington newspaper correspondents, and for many years secretary of the Gridiron Club, died yesterday morning at his home, 215 Chestnut street, Baltimore. He had been confined to his room since the middle of last January. The death of his mother, Mrs. Olivia B. Shriver, December 23, is believed to have hastened his death, as he never really recovered from that shock. The cause of death was a complication of diseases.

The funeral of Mr. Shriver will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family home. The services will be conducted by Rev. Dr. Hugh Breckinridge of Emmanuel Protestant Episcopal Church. Burial will be in the lot of his family in Greenmount cemetery. The pallbearers will be selected from his friends in both Baltimore and Washington.

Gridiron Club Takes Action.

A special meeting of the Gridiron Club was held at the New Willard Hotel today to take appropriate action upon the death of Mr. Shriver.

A resolution was adopted and spread upon the journal of the club, stating that:

"We meet today to write upon our records the sincere sorrow we feel in the death of a member like our secretary. Words are inadequate to express the deep sense of loss which every member of the Gridiron Club feels today when it is realized that John Shriver will never again be among us in this life."

Began Work on the American.

Mr. Shriver is survived by two brothers, Clarence, Baltimore manager of the Erieview steamboat line, and J. Alexis Shriver, a special agent of the Department of Commerce and two nieces, Misses Alice and Violet Glendon. All were at his side at the time of his death.

When little more than a boy Mr. Shriver became a member of the local staff of the Baltimore American. After several years' work as a reporter he became dramatic critic of the American, and his criticisms of plays for many years were regarded by the theatrical world as the standard. Although he took up other lines of work later, the friendships Mr. Shriver made among the men of the dramatic profession were lasting, and to his death he numbered among his warmest friends Mr. Charles Frohman and men of his prominence among the managers and John Drew and other actors of that rank.

Took Charge of Washington Bureau.

Mr. Shriver took charge of the Washington bureau of the Baltimore American during the first Cleveland administration. In 1888 Mr. Shriver resigned for a brief period from the American to edit a Sunday supplement, which was published in Baltimore, and which, though abandoned after several months, was the starting point of the present syndicate supplement.

Later he became Washington correspondent of the New York Mail. He rejoined the staff of the Baltimore American, and when the Baltimore Star was founded, Mr. Shriver became the correspondent of that paper.

White House Flowers for Sickroom.

During his illness flowers from the White House were constantly sent and there were frequent letters of inquiry and notes of encouragement from men in Washington of all shades of political opinion and of all ranks of official life.

Ten years ago he was chosen secretary of the Gridiron Club, to which office he was re-elected annually.

Mr. Shriver found time even in the stress of his work to write for the several months and to do much magazine work. Mr. Shriver was fifty-eight years old and unmarried.

MANY U. S. OFFICIALS VISIT BOTANIC GARDEN

More Than One Thousand Persons
Inspect the Plants Now
in Bloom.

Many heads of departments in the government service and several hundred federal employees, who, though they have been in Washington a number of years, never had visited the Botanic Garden, swelled the crowd of tourists who took advantage of the conservatory being open yesterday.

Executives in the Treasury, geodetic survey, Agricultural Department and the government printing office were conducted about the greenhouses by Supt. George W. Hess and shown the vast system of propagation by which all plants that are grown in this climate are developed for the education of the American public.

Despite the showers there were more than 1,000 visitors at the Botanic Garden yesterday. During last week there were about a thousand each day inspecting the conservatories. These included groups of visiting students from New England and New York high schools and from institutions in Washington. The students of Howard University were among the large delegations.

There was an attractive group from Forest Glen Seminary at the Garden Thursday, and from St. Cecilia's Academy Saturday. Probably those who enjoyed the sight of the flowers and the plant curiosities most were several

large parties of children from two orphan asylums under the charge of nuns.

The magnolia trees are in full bloom and attracted much attention. Among the varieties shown are the stellata, Kobus and norbertiana, all star-shaped, white and pink; the conspecta, a pure white bloom, very fragrant and profuse in blooming; and the speciosa and the soulangiana, tinted purple outside and white within.

Other flowers now in bloom are the forsythia, or golden bells, in several varieties; narcissus or jonquils, fragrant bush honeysuckle, hyacinths and tulips; the Japanese quince, which has a bright red blossom; and the prunus tomentosa, or flowering cherry.

AMBASSADOR EXPLAINS PRESENTATION OF NOTE

Embassy Officials Also Say Count von Bernstorff Acted on Berlin Advice.

German embassy officials stated today that the ambassador acted under instruction from the Berlin foreign office in presenting the recent note of memorandum to the State Department, complaining that while the United States had failed to maintain its right to export foodstuffs to Germany, American manufacturers were permitted to continue shipping munitions of war in unlimited quantities to Great Britain and her allies.

Some question had arisen as to whether Count von Bernstorff, the ambassador, acted on his own authority, since the document, a diplomatic "memorandum," was phrased by the embassy.

The memorandum, delivered some days ago, was made public last night by the ambassador. He explained that he did so without arrangement with the State Department, recalling that the department had recently published the American note to Germany on the Frye case, though there had been no agreement for its simultaneous publication in Berlin.

CONFERENCE IS INDORSED.

Latin-American Countries Accept
Invitations to Washington Meeting.

Colombia, Paraguay, Costa Rica and Venezuela, accepting the invitation of the United States to the pan-American economic conference, to be held in Washington, May 21, strongly indorse the purposes of the conference. They will be represented by their ministers of finance, if possible.

Their acceptance makes sixteen republics which have formally signified intention to participate in the conference. The other accepting nations are Chile, Argentina, Bolivia, Uruguay, Guatemala, Peru, Honduras, Panama, Nicaragua, Ecuador, Cuba and Salvador.

The ambassador of Chile and the ministers of Bolivia, Guatemala, Colombia, Honduras, Cuba and Venezuela accredited to Washington have also announced their purpose to be present at the conference. The diplomatic representatives of the other participating nations have all been invited and are expected to attend.

Mariano Guardia, minister of finance, and John M. Keith, banker, will be the Costa Rican delegates.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 12.—Active

and moral support to China in resisting the demands of Japan, was pledged last night at a mass meeting of Chinese here. Chief speakers were Lin Sam, president, and Wong Beck Yu, secretary, of the Chinese National League of America, who are touring the United States, encouraging Chinese to support their country.

The Martial Spirit.

"Why are you moping there, Dick?" "I've no one to play with."

"Well, go and fetch Freddie next door."

"Oh, I played with him yesterday, and I don't suppose he's well enough to come out yet."

Bad Habits.

"No," exclaimed Richly, "our son will never amount to anything until he marries."

"Who?" asks his wife anxiously.

"He's got to get over the habit of hanging around the house."

DENYING HIMSELF TO MANY CALLERS

President Wilson Will Continue
to See Only Those for
Whom He Sends.

FOREIGN SITUATION IS MONOPOLIZING HIS TIME

Using Private Study for All Confer-
ences—Has Made No Plans
for Pacific Coast Trip.

President Wilson considers foreign affairs and the serious complications that involve this country to a large extent as sufficient reason for continuing his program of the last three or four weeks of giving practically all his time to these matters and denying himself to the numerous callers who wish to see him. It became known today that the President will persist in excluding himself to callers, and that he will see no visitors except those he sends for. Instead of going to the executive offices he will continue to use his private study in the main White House for his conferences with cabinet officers and the few other people he will see, and his regular office will be virtually abandoned.

The President set out some weeks ago with the determination to study himself assiduously to a full understanding of the foreign situation, both in Europe and the far east, and he has gradually come to a complete personal command of these matters, mastering the facts and details as they reach him from different sources, and reading all standard authorities on international laws.

To Remain Here Some Months.

The President proposes to remain in Washington or near here for some months to come, and has made no plans for a trip across the continent to attend the California expositions. He still wishes to go to the Pacific coast and stop at various places going and coming, but he will not make plans until foreign affairs warrant his leaving Washington for a number of days.

The only definite engagement made by the President to go out of town is to attend the reception to newly naturalized citizens in Philadelphia, Monday, May 10, but he will go to that city and return the same day, keeping in touch with his offices all the time. The occasion there, the impressing upon new citizens of their duties and obligations to their adopted country, will give the President an opportunity, it is believed, to say some things that are interesting at this time.

Will Speak at Arlington.

The President has accepted an invitation to speak at Arlington Memorial day, Monday, May 31, but he has not accepted any of several invitations to attend celebrations out of Washington July 4. He will not determine whether he will go out of town that day for some time. It has been determined that the President will not go to the Panama canal with Secretary Daniels in July.

Rev. D. L. Blakemore Comes Here.

The initial sermon of Rev. Dr. D. L. Blakemore, who has just assumed the pastorate of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church South, 26 and 8 streets northwest, was preached yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. The new pastor came from Baltimore, and takes the place of Rev. Wilmer P. Johnson, who is now in charge of St. John's Church of Immanuel Methodist Episcopal Church South, in Baltimore.

Eben Plympton, Actor, Dies.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Eben Bradley, known on the stage as Eben Plympton, a one-time leading man with Mary Anderson, died in a hotel here today of pneumonia. He had been ill nine days, and in poor health a long time. He was born in Boston sixty years ago, and played leading roles with many stars, including the Booths, Clara Morris and Mme. Modjeska.

FEW FRENCHMEN IDLE AS RESULT OF WAR

Labor Leader Expects Great Eco-
nomic Benefits to Follow End-
ing of Conflict.

PARIS, March 28.—"The war has put very few wage earners out of employment in France," said Secretary Joubaux of the Federation of Labor Syndicates of the department of the Seine, to the Associated Press.

"Of the six million workmen in France," he added, "it is estimated that between one and a half and two million are in the army. The rest find plenty to do. Building is at a standstill, but with the end of absolutism help thus made idle. Machinists and metal workers generally in the unemployed regions are working to the limit. Nearly all the little local machine shops, as well as the large establishments, such as motor car works and engine building plants, are doing something for the army, making shells or cartridges or repairing motor cars and other parts of the equipment."

Shopkeepers Suffer Most.

"For the general revival of commerce a full revival of industry is necessary," says Monsieur Joubaux, "and that can come only with the end of absolutism. Consequently the shopkeeper suffers far more than the worker."

Monsieur Joubaux, who is one of the conspicuous militants of the revolutionary wing of the socialist party and in close touch with socialists of all European countries, predicts that the issue of war will have a greater repercussion upon internationalism than upon nationalism, supposing the allies were victorious. "If the war is a victory for us," he says, "that has had a deterring influence upon Italy. The shaking of Europeanism, represented by the German allied empire, is necessarily disturbing crowned heads already alarmed by the growth of socialism in their kingdoms. The war understood what it would mean and has suddenly become liberal."

Loyalty Proves in Trenches.

"As to France, a militant victory will be worthy only its economical triumph; the so-called political reforms we have fought for are really economic since the necessary justice to the man whose effort produces the wealth of the nation will prove an economic advantage. We have done with political and political; their elimination from our movement and the war will put an end to an equivalent situation."

"The syndicalists, whose anti-patriotism was feared in case of war, have proven in the trenches what they were worth to the country, and their influence will be so much the greater. The struggle between capital and labor will doubtless be renewed after the other great battle has been won, but it will be conducted with less passion than before."

WORK FOR WORLD PEACE.

United States Represented in Con-
ference at The Hague.

THE HAGUE, via London, April 12.—For several days there has been a private discussion of peace here by a conference consisting of about thirty delegates from the United States, Holland, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Sweden, Norway, England, Belgium and Switzerland. The conference came to an end with the drafting of a program for action in the various countries. Only a short record of the work of the conference has been issued as follows:

"The object of the meeting was not to suggest steps to bring the war to an end, but to consider by what principles the future peace of the world would best be guaranteed. After a full discussion, a minimum program was unanimously adopted."

"The action to be initiated in the different countries, ultimately will be supplemented by an international propaganda. A central committee for a durable peace has been created as a link between the national organizations. The committee of the Dutch anti-war council supplemented by members from other countries will serve as the executive."

Mrs. Fanny F. Andrews of Boston was the American delegate.

An Inheritance.

"Now own up, my man. Didn't you invent that tale of woe?"

"No, sir; I got it from a friend who has gone out of the begging business."

GERMAN SUBMARINE HAS A REGULAR BEAT

"U-28" Patrols Course Off Mass
Lightship Looking for Cargo
Steamers.

ROTTERDAM, March 20.—The German submarine U-28, according to seamen who travel between this port and England, has a regular beat, which she patrols between the Mass. lightship and the North Hinder. Practically every day she is on duty along that route, watching for the railway and cargo steamers on their way to Hull or Harwich or Rotterdam. She has a number of captures to her credit at this point, although she has not yet succeeded in getting any of the fast mail or railway packet boats. Their speed is superior and they vary their course on each trip, so as to make it impossible for the submarine to lie in wait along the way.

The following description of the pursuit of one of the railway steamers is published here:

"The ship was pounding along at twelve knots, when suddenly there was a flash of sunlight on the surface of the sea, maybe two miles away, and the lookout called, sharply, 'Submarine on the port bow.'"

"There was a sharp command to the man at the wheel and the ship changed her course. Then a quick call down the tube and the engineer sang out to his stokers, 'Beat her up, boys. U-28 is having another go.'"

"Down the stokehold tumbled the deckhands, eager to help with shovel and oil can. The water jumped in the gauge, the safety valves showed signs of forcing, and there was a smell of heated bearings, the ship began to quiver, while the perspiring crew made bets with each other on the race."

Captain Takes the Wheel.

"Beside him stood the ship's boy, watching with fascinated eyes the white wake which marked the course of the submarine, sailing at fourteen knots to cut them off. Smoke and fire streamed from the funnels and there was an odor of burning paint. The iron deck clattered and groaned under the demands of the engines and the ship gained headway."

"Suddenly the captain's shoulder gave a lurch, his arms shot down, the boy, thrown off his balance, fell against the bulkheads, and the ship swerved in a half circle on a new course. Gradually the speed rose to thirteen, fourteen, fourteen and a half knots. The captain's face relaxed into a smile."

"What if the engine should break down?" thought the boy, as his eyes again sought that distant white wake. In the long, stern chase the same thought often came to the captain, but his face showed nothing but a quiet interest and his hands held strong on the wheel. Smaller and smaller grew the submarine, until finally it suddenly gave up the chase. Then came a call down the tube, a heavy sigh of relief from the engineer and the men came tumbling back to deck."

"Good old U-28, they've beaten her again," shouted one of the crew, gazing astern.

"Yes, I and the old man did it," exclaimed the boy.

Eugenie and the Crinoline.

From the London Chronicle.

The Empress Eugenie should feel interested in the threatened revival of the crinoline, for she helped to drive this monstrous out of fashion. "In January, 1853," writes a chronicler of nineteenth century modes, "when crinolines had reached their largest circumference, the papers throughout Europe reported that the Empress Eugenie had appeared at a court ball without a crinoline. This was an event which completely overshadowed Napoleon's famous New Year speech to the Austrian ambassador. If the autumn of the same year, when invitations were being issued for Compiègne, the empress spoke the word—'No crinoline!' Shortly afterward Queen Victoria also abjured the crinoline, and her example was followed by the Empress of Austria. Thus were days when benevolent despotism was as to fashion."

He's Only a Volunteer.

"If I had a trained dog I'd go shooting tomorrow," remarked her young man.

"Why not take Fido, Jack? He can play dead and beg for sugar and say his prayers and do lots of clever things."

ROCKVILLE AND COUNTY Dies—Maryland Division of U. D.

Jacob Hager of Damascus District
Dies—Maryland Division of U. D.
of C. in Conference.

Special Correspondence of The Star.

ROCKVILLE, Md., April 12.—Jacob Hager, one of the best known residents of Damascus district, died yesterday, aged seventy-seven years, his death being due to a complication of diseases. He is survived by his wife and five children.

The monthly conference of the Maryland division of the United Sons of the Confederacy was held here at the rooms of the Rockville Woman's Club, with a large number of the members of the organization present. Mrs. Frank G. Odenheimer, president, of Baltimore, presided.

Resolutions of regret and sympathy were passed on the death of Col. Spencer C. Jones, commander of Ridgely Brown Camp of Confederate Veterans, and Mrs. D. Grant Wright, honorary president of the Maryland division.

Miss Josephine Mildred Bell and Lloyd Lee Roberts, both of the vicinity of Crofton, this county, were married in Rockville Saturday afternoon by Rev. Samuel R. White of the Baptist Church, at the home of the minister.

Dies of Pneumonia.

Miss Mildred Iglehart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Iglehart of Germantown, died of pneumonia Saturday in a Washington hospital, where she had been a patient several days. She was nineteen years old.

A license to marry has been issued by the clerk of the Maryland State court here to John Howard Faust, twenty-one years old, and Miss Viola Olivia Burdette, seventeen years old, both of Takoma Park.

At a conference here of representatives of the United States Department of Agriculture, the Maryland Agricultural College and the board of county school commissioners, Miss Isabel Kingston of Rockville was selected as county agent to conduct demonstrations in the schools, clubs and homes of the county in domestic science extension work. Preparatory to beginning the work, she will take a special course at the Maryland Agricultural College.

George Washington Murphy, eighty years old, died yesterday at his home at Hyattstown, this county, of a complication of diseases, following a long illness. He is survived by five sons and two daughters.

Lineage and Logic.

From Sketch.

The Waiter (to the housemaid)—Well, ere's me, with two brothers and a cousin in Portland prison and three sisters in Baddington Workhouse, and then the first question strangers always ask me is, "Waiter, are you a German?"

The Laity.

From the Tokyo Asahi.

"What is the meaning of the word 'laity'?" Buck Kilby asked yesterday. "Well," said Eph Wiley, "the laity comprises those who take the medicine and those who undergo the operations."

George's Leash.

From the Christian Register.

Mother (at the breakfast table)—You always ought to use your napkin, George.

George—I am usin' it, mother; I've got the dog tied to the leg of the table with it.

The Men who Flirt with Death

RACING automobile drivers take their lives in their hands every time they enter a race—and the greatest risk they run is that of friction. Think of the tremendous strain put on every bearing, the enormous heat generated. Let one little bearing get dry and—Zing!—Mr. Driver keeps right on going to the Pearly Gates. Life and limb are the greatest stakes that figure in any auto race. The prizes are mere junk in comparison. What is the answer? Every well-informed racing driver lubricates his car with Dixon's Graphite Automobile Lubricants. They know that their bearings when lubricated with Dixon's Graphite Greases are safe against lubricating failures.

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One of the foremost racing drivers in America was offered \$500 in cash by the salesman of a certain lubricant if he would permit him to put his lubricant into this racer's car, and the reply was, "No, I would rather pay \$5 per pound for Dixon's Automobile Lubricants than use any other as a gift." Dixon's Graphite Automobile Lubricants have as a basis Dixon's selected flake graphite, the only form of flake graphite that will successfully lubricate an automobile without packing or balling up in the bearings. The Joseph Dixon Crucible Company are the only producers in the world of this peculiar form of flake graphite.

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W. A. Sweeney & Co., 515 7th St. N.W.

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National Shoe Mfg. & Repair Co.

E. Sumner, 229 Pa. Ave. N.W.

A. Gerardi, 507 10th St. N.W.

Capital Shoe Repair Co., 514 10th St. N.W.

S. De Grando, 824 12th St. N.W.

L. Martin, 1200 New York Ave. N.W.

L. Vertich, 65 3d St. S.W.

N. Peckover, 632 3d St. S.W.

C. Tausch, 725 1st St. N.W.

C. Vaccaro, 202 15th St. S.E.

V. Marino, 735 8th St. S.E.

H. R. Fuller, 817 6th St. S.E.

T. Tasciotti, 530 4th St. S.E.

A. D. Francesco, 137 B St. S.E.

Jon. Debole, 494 8th St. S.E.

C. Privitera, 648 H St. N.E.

F. Caputo, 245 11th St. N.E.

D. Delvecchio, 1321 B St. N.E.

J. Abrams, 1115 H St. N.E.

Jack Love, 1407 H St. N.E.

C. Pelluzzo, 1831 1/2 North Capitol St.

A. C. Hoff, 1628 North Capitol St.

A. Barbacidde Co., 1327 7th St. N.W.

A. Oliveri, 1308 Georgia Ave.

L. Cummano, 605 Louisiana Ave.

E. Sumner, 229 Pa. Ave. N.W.

N. Shapiro, 350 1/2 Pa. Ave. N.W.

B. Facatore, 810 E St. N.W.

Home Shoe Rep. Co., 710 9th St. N.W.

John Mandara, 124 G St. N.W.

F. Cavagnoli, 103 B St. N.W.

David Goldman, 82 Rhode Island Ave.

V. De Nastro, 1203 E St. N.W.

C. Tausch, 725 1st St. N.W.

Tony Caffi, 1332 14th St. N.W.

A. Buolo, 1806 14th St. N.W.

Sam Dittus, 2118 14th St. N.W.

J. A. Cunningham, 1024 6th St. S.W.

G. Ganser, 1403 Florida Ave.

Armey & Navy Shoe Repair Co., 3424 M St. N.W.

M. Hower, 1260 Wisconsin Ave.

E. May, 2110 Pennsylvania Ave.

Modern Shoe Repair Co., 3425 M St. N.W.

G. Famighetti, 1907 7th St. N.W.

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